



Washington Comprehensive Cancer Control Partnership

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FACT SHEET

Comprehensive Cancer Control

Comprehensive cancer control is an **integrated** and **coordinated** approach to reducing cancer incidence, morbidity, and mortality through prevention, early detection, treatment, rehabilitation, and palliation. It is an emerging model for identifying and addressing statewide cancer priorities. Comprehensive cancer control involves collaboration between public and private stakeholders whose common mission is to reduce the overall burden of cancer.

Washington Comprehensive Cancer Control Partnership

The Washington Comprehensive Cancer Control Partnership is a diverse group of organizations and individuals representing many key stakeholders in cancer prevention and control in Washington. The Department of Health is a primary stakeholder in the Partnership and provides fiscal, operational, and technical support through the Comprehensive Cancer Control Program. The Partnership is responsible for the ongoing development, implementation and evaluation of the state comprehensive cancer control plan.

Washington State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan

The purpose of the *Washington State Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan* is to provide a framework to guide prevention and control efforts to reduce the burden of cancer in Washington. The plan includes goals, objectives, and strategies for addressing the broad spectrum of cancer issues – primary prevention, early detection, effective treatment, quality care, survivorship, and end-of-life issues. The Partnership sets priorities from the plan and coordinates efforts to generate the resources necessary to implement plan strategies. Current priorities include increasing colorectal cancer screening rates and promoting informed decision making among men and their providers regarding prostate cancer screening.

Funding

The Washington State Department of Health Comprehensive Cancer Control Program is funded through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The agreement currently provides over \$3 million through June 2007. Much of this funding is directed to implementing strategies from the comprehensive cancer control plan addressing two Partnership priorities: colorectal and prostate cancer. Funding also supports a program manager and other professional staff in the Comprehensive Cancer Control Program who provide operational and technical support to the Partnership.

Membership

Membership is open to interested individuals and organizations.